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DATE OF CONTENT DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 19 February 1954REFERENCES PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS
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1. In the early morning hours of 24 January 1954, the elements of the units from the Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne, which had left on 19 January, were detrained at 25X1 the Brandenburg-Altstadt railroad station and marched into the installation between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. Between 4 a.m. and 7 a.m. on 26 January, 2 field kitchens, 1 jeep and 1 sedan left the installation toward the rolling mill. The vehicles re-
turned at 0:30 a.m. on 27 January. At about 1 p.m. on 26 January, trucks each towing a 122-mm field howitzer, left the installation. At about 7 a.m. on 2 February, prime mover towing trailer prime movers each towing a 203-mm howitzer and trucks each towing a 122-mm field howitzer, left the installation toward the rolling mill. The vehicles returned at about 6:45 p.m. on the same day.

2. On 2 February, the Infanterie Kaserne was vacant. Only the guardhouse was lighted after nightfall. There were no sentries. Window sashes were trucked away a few days after the departure of the troops.

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3. On 2 February, the Flak Kaserne was occupied as previously. The dependents of the officers of the installation were almost exclusively quartered in the buildings on Fouqué Strasse, which contained an estimated 120 apartments.

4. On 14 January, the Flak Kaserne was occupied to capacity. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. On 7 January, 3 trucks towing 3 AT guns left the installation toward Ziesar.

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On 14 January, the Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne was occupied to capacity. Sentries seen wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Between 6 and 14 January, an undetermined number of troops with field telephones and cable reels, and trucks occupied by troops equipped with spades and hoes almost daily left the installation, while 100 to 150 troops were drilling in the barracks yard.

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5. Shipments, which arrived from the direction of Altengrabow and were unloaded at the Brandenburg-Altstadt railroad station on 24 January included:
A shipment of 2 x 203-mm howitzers, 6 prime movers, 4 x 122-mm howitzers, 17 trucks, 1 jeep, 1 field kitchen and 100 to 120 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia at about 5 a.m.; and, subsequently, a shipment of 2 x 203-mm

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howitzers, 6 prime movers [redacted] 4 x 122-mm
howitzers, 20 trucks [redacted]
1 ambulance, and 1 field kitchen. The detrained troops left for the Generalfield-
zeugmeister Kaserne.

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6. At about 1 p.m. on 25 January, 4 trucks [redacted]
[redacted] towing 1 x 85-mm AT guns and 1 x 57-mm AT gun entered the Flak
Kaserne, coming from the direction of Quenz Bruecke (bridge) [redacted]

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7. Between 22 and 26 January, the Infanterie Kaserne was dark after nightfall.

[redacted] Comment. The return from Altengrabow of units of the 124th Hvy How Artv
Brig [redacted] on 24 January can be confirmed by reports on transportation [redacted]

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The information does not indicate any change in the occupation of the other
installations [redacted]

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